

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Chicken Little Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084317 and Forest Practices Application No. 2919507. This is a variable retention harvest of 115 acres in two units, with 15,480 feet of prehaul maintenance and 3,069 feet of road abandonment.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 195 feet wide on type 3 streams and a minimum 100-foot RMZ along type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- ➤ Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- > The road abandonment accomplished with this proposal will remove a fish barrier, and also remove some stream adjacent and parallel road.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Section 6, Township 10 North, Range 2 West, W.M., Section 1, Township 10 North, Range 3 West, W.M., approximately 6 miles by road, northwest of Castle Rock, off the P-1000 road system in Cowlitz County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[X]	This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days
	from May 5, 2009 Comments must be submitted by May 19, 2009

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.